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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Training

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: ADDS Presentation in Orientation for Senior

School Nominees

1. Bob Wattles' presentation in the program on 28 June was relaxed and quite appropriate for this group. He began by giving a brief rundown of each of the DDS offices and responsibilities, with proper emphasis on support of overseas activities. For example, among others, he spoke of Commo's and the DCI's authority 25X1A activities involving and the proper authority 25X1A for the expenditure of confidential funds. The question period dealt to a considerable extent with personnel matters, which he handled well.

- 2. I can understand Bob's concern about repeating information which some of the students may have heard in other courses. However, there were only a handful in this group who had recently taken either the Midcareer Course or the A.I.S. It's quite possible, of course, that the DDS people in the group might have found some of the material "old hat," but they too constituted a minority.
- 3. One of the assumptions behind this course is the expectation that many of the people going to the service schools or external university management programs may be required to present briefings on the Agency, or, at the very least, answer a considerable number of questions about it while there. I think Bob's presentation provided the group with sufficient material and examples so they could feel comfortable about discussing our support role with their colleagues.
- 4. Your idea of providing our high-level speakers with more detailed information about the student body and the objectives of the course is a sound one. In this program, we might, for example, send speakers in advance a suggested list of topics for them to cover, based on questions which have been asked our Agency people by their non-Agency

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colleagues while away at school. (For example, the role of Λ ir America is one which our military colleagues often ask about, and one to which the DDS speaker might address himself.)

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5. who had heard Bob Wattles in the Midcareer Course in the Spring, felt that this presentation was a distinct improvement.

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